THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Some representations have been received.

(b> It has been decided not to shift Tezpur station from the existing site to Dekargaon.

Shuttle train between Nalbari and Guwahati

267. SHFi MATI BIJOYA CHAKRA-BARTY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased r-o state:

(a) whether there is any proposal with Government for introducing a shuttle train between Nalbari and Guwahati in view of public demand; and

(b) if so, by when this shuttle tain is expected to be introduced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF BAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The request was examined and non found justified in fac[e] of low passenger traffic and already existing train services.

Discrimination in AIDS tests

263. SHR' KRISHNA KITMAR . BIRLA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE'be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to make AIDS tests compulsory for all foreign students %)ming to the country while the tourists, embassy/High Commis sion staff or accredited journalists have b[c]en exempted from such tests; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for having selective and discrimina tory tests and whether such a screen-, ing would be helpful in effectively checking the spread of AIDS virus in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND I-'AM'LY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE). - (a) and (b) All foreign students being admitted into any Indian Educational/Research/ Training Institute are required to undergo AIDS te$_s$t within one month of arrival in India. Govt, has also decided that all foreigners, who intend to s^ay in India for more than one year shall be subjected to AIDS test except those foreigners working in various missions whether enjoy: - ing diplomatic status or not and journalists accredited to the PIB. In addition, persons belonging to high risk groups e. g. Homosexuals, prostitutes. Drug addict addicts including Intravenous drug abusers, profes-sional blood donors are also subjected to AIDS test. There is no discrimination in the matter of screening of persons for A'DS test and is is Pro posed to confine AIDS test, for the present, to persons who are in the high risk category. Foreigners who hEve a longer stay pose: more threat' of spread of AIDS then a tourist with short stay.

Dissatisfaction among Members of IA ana AI Boards

269. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it' is a fact that the Chairman and several other members of the Air India and Indian Airlines Boards have expressed their desire to quit; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons leading to this situation and what steps have been taken by Government to resolve the differences, if any ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE